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REMARKS

Applicant has carefully studied the outstanding Official Action mailed on July 25, 2005. This response is intended to be fully responsive to all points of rejection raised by the Examiner and is believed to place the application in condition for allowance. Favorable reconsideration and allowance of the application are respectfully requested.

The specification stands objected due to the informality of a spelling error. This has been corrected in this response by appropriate amendment.

Claim 1 stands rejected under 35 USC §102(b) as being anticipated by Belmont et al. (US 6119172).

Claims 2-4 stand rejected under 35 USC §103(a) as being unpatentable over Belmont et al. in view of Brusky et al. (US 6262713).

Claims 5-6 stand rejected under 35 USC §103(a) as being unpatentable over Belmont et al. in view of Applicant's admitted prior art.

Claim 7 stands rejected under 35 USC §103(a) as being unpatentable over Belmont et al. in view of Applicant's admitted prior art and in further view of Farrow et al. (US 6680843).

Claim 8 stands rejected under 35 USC §103(a) as being unpatentable over Belmont et al. in view of Applicant's admitted prior art and in further view of Ishikawa et al. (US 6526516).

Claims 9-13 stand rejected under 35 USC §103(a) as being unpatentable over Belmont et al. in view of Ishikawa et al.

Examiner states that the invention as claimed in claims 8 or 9 or 11 is obvious in light of the combination of Belmont et al. and Ishikawa et al. Applicant respectfully traverses this rejection.

Claim 8 (or 9 or 11) recites "a general power source operative to power said PC, wherein said first power source is operative to supply power to said module independently from said general power source even when said general power source does not supply power to said PC."

Neither Belmont et al. nor Ishikawa et al. has *two power sources*, a general power source and another one for the module. On the contrary, it is essential in Ishikawa et al. that there is only one power source, as stated, for example, in col. 7, lines 27-40: "Further, by equipping an external power source such as an AC adapter with the same connector, it becomes possible to control the external power source by a signal line and, at the same time, the power supply capacity of the external power source can be distributed effectively and

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dynamically. By consolidating external power sources into a single power source, the number of required connectors and the number of AC outlets can be reduced and user convenience can be greatly enhanced. By consolidating external power sources that were necessary for each of the devices into a single, common external power source, user convenience is improved and cost can be reduced."

Belmont et al. only has one power source 20 for everything. Thus, by combining Belmont et al. and Ishikawa et al. one would obtain a TV/PC system of Belmont et al. that has a single power source with a power distribution system of Ishikawa et al. Furthermore such a combined system still does not teach the concept of watching TV on a separate PC screen (not the TV screen) while the PC is turned off, as in the present invention. Thus, the combination of Belmont et al. and Ishikawa et al. is structurally and conceptually different than the invention claimed in claim 8 (or 9 or 11) wherein there are two distinct power sources, a general power source and another one for the module.

Claim 1 has been amended to include the recitation of original claims 5 and 8, and is respectfully deemed allowable as not being anticipated by the prior art. Claims 6 and 7 have been amended to depend from claim 1. Claims 5 and 8 have been canceled, since their recitation was added to claim 1. Accordingly, claims 1-4, 6, 7 and 9-13 are deemed allowable. Applicant respectfully requests that a timely Notice of Allowance be issued in this case.

Respectfully submitted,
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